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TERMINAL DISCLAIMER

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Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Without conceding the same is necessary, but in order to expedite prosecution, this Terminal Disclaimer is being filed to overcome a double patenting rejection issued by the examiner in the above referenced patent application.

Accordingly:

1. Symyx Technologies, Inc., the assignee of record of the present application, as well as on U.S. Patent No. 6,187,164 through its attorney, hereby disclaims and dedicates to the public the term of any patent which issues from the present application which extends beyond the expiration date of U.S. Patent No. 6,187,164.

2. Symyx Technologies, Inc., through its attorney, further agrees and acknowledges that any patent granted on the present application shall be enforceable only for and during the period that said patent is commonly owned with said U.S. Patent No. 6,187,164. This agreement runs with any patent granted on the instant application and is binding upon the grantor, its successor or assignees.

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Respectfully submitted,

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